

REMARKS

The Advisory Action mailed on or about July 15, 2005, has been received and reviewed. Claims 10, 11, 15 through 18, 21 through 23, 27, 29 through 32, 35 through 38, and 46 through 48 are currently pending in the application. Claims 10, 11, 15 through 18, 21 through 23, 27, 29 through 32, 35 through 38, and 46 through 48 stand rejected. Applicants propose to amend claims 10, 11, 15, and 16, per the Examiner's recommendation, and respectfully request reconsideration of the application as proposed to be amended herein.

Advisory Action Rejections

The amendments contained in the previous Amendment After Final Rejection were entered, but were deemed to not place the application in condition for allowance. The Examiner stated that an Amendment could be entered which places the application in condition for allowance. Independent claims 10, 11, 15, and 16 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's prior suggestions. While the Applicants disagree with the Examiner's interpretation of the prior art, in order to expedite prosecution of the present application, these amendments are being made without prejudice to pursue the subject matter of the as-filed claims in a related application. In view of the amendments and the recitations in the remaining independent claims (which all contain the "consisting of" language suggested by the Examiner), Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and the same is respectfully requested.

ENTRY OF AMENDMENTS

The proposed amendments to claims 10, 11, 15, and 16 above should be entered by the Examiner because the amendments are supported by the as-filed specification and drawings and do not add any new matter to the application. Further, the amendments do not raise new issues or require a further search. Finally, if the Examiner determines that the amendments do not place the application in condition for allowance, entry is respectfully requested upon filing of a Notice of Appeal herein.

CONCLUSION

Claims 10, 11, 15 through 18, 21 through 23, 27, 29 through 32, 35 through 38, and 46 through 48 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early notice thereof is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner determine that additional issues remain which might be resolved by a telephone conference, he is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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